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1. (Amended) A safety closure comprising:

an outer cap, comprising a first top wall and a first cylindrical skirt depending from said first top wall, an inner surface of said first top wall having a plurality of lugs radially disposed thereon; and

an inner cap being rotatably received by the outer cap, said inner cap comprising a second top wall and a second cylindrical skirt depending from said second top wall, a plurality of recesses are radially disposed and formed at an intersection of said second top wall and said second cylindrical skirt,

said recesses and lugs being shaped such that said lugs are engaged by at least some of said recesses when said outer cap is turned in a closure application direction causing said closure to be applied to a container, said recesses and lugs being further shaped such that said lugs are not engaged by said recesses when said outer cap is turned in a closure opening direction unless a force urging said outer cap towards said inner cap is applied to said outer cap, and when the force is applied to said outer cap and said outer cap is simultaneously turned in the closure opening direction said lugs are engaged by said recesses allowing said inner cap to be rotated and removed from the container.

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h 2 Sub B' 3. (Amended) The closure of claim 1, wherein said recesses comprise an inclined wall and said lugs slide up said inclined walls when said outer cap is turned in the closure opening direction and the force is not being applied to the outer cap.

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8. (Amended) A child resistant safety closure comprising:

an outer cap, comprising a first top wall and a first cylindrical skirt depending from said first top wall, a plurality of lugs are radially disposed and formed at an intersection of said first top wall and said first cylindrical skirt; and

an inner cap being rotatably received by the outer cap, said inner cap comprising a second top wall and a second cylindrical skirt depending from said second top wall, a plurality of recesses are formed on an outer surface of said second top wall,

said recesses and lugs being shaped such that said lugs are engaged by at least some of said recesses when said outer cap is turned in a closure application direction, said recesses and lugs being further shaped such that said lugs are not engaged by said recesses when said outer cap is turned in a closure opening direction unless a force urging said outer cap towards said inner cap is simultaneously applied to said outer cap.

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10 (Amended). The closure of claim 9, wherein said recesses comprise an inclined wall and said lugs slide up said inclined walls when said outer cap is turned in the closure opening direction and the force is not being applied to the outer cap.

11. (Amended) The closure of claim 8, wherein said recesses comprise an inclined wall and said lugs slide up said inclined walls when the force is not being applied to the outer cap.

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15. (Amended) A safety closure comprising:

an outer cap, comprising a first top wall and a first cylindrical skirt depending from said first top wall, a plurality of lugs are radially disposed and formed at an intersection of said first top wall and said first cylindrical skirt; and

an inner cap being rotatably received by the outer cap, said inner cap comprising a second top wall and a second cylindrical skirt depending from said second top wall, a plurality of recesses are radially disposed and formed at an intersection of said second top wall and said second cylindrical skirt, each of said recesses comprise a vertical wall and an inclined wall,

said lugs and recesses are shaped such that they are engaged by said vertical walls when said outer cap is turned in a closure application direction and said lugs slide up said inclined walls when said outer cap is turned in a closure opening direction and a force urging said outer cap towards said inner cap is not being applied to the outer cap.

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20. (Amended) The closure of claim 15, wherein an outer surface of said first top wall comprises indicia for providing operating instructions to a user of said closure.